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8. In 1935 his money ran out so he came back to England, learnt shorthand and typing and got a job as a stringer on the Gloster Citizen. It was here he learnt journalism the hard way. At the end of 1936 he got a job on the Times having had eighteen months with the Gloster Citizen. He got this job through the influence of Victor ROTHSCILD.

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## Part I

1956

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## REPORT

According to WALLFLOWERS Guy LIDDELL saw Lord ROTHSCHILD who was doing sabotage research work for M.I.R. This meeting took place on 15.2.40 and was at the request of A. S. T. alias Dan GODFREY.

2. ROTHSCHILD told LIDDELL that his experiments were primarily for offensive purposes but they might also be of use to the Security Service in forming a defensive policy. LIDDELL explained what the Security Service requirements were and ROTHSCHILD agreed to consult with J.I.C. which was working on the problem. ROTHSCHILD also undertook to keep the Security Service posted about bacteriological warfare.

## Part II

## COMMENTS BY SECTION OF ORIGIN

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This confirms Curry's statement that Dan. GODFREY was responsible for introducing ROTHSCHILD to the office. In his personal particulars form ROTHSCHILD overlooked this first stage and stated that Guy LIDDELL had introduced him.

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23 ST. JAMES'S PLACE  
LONDON S.W.1  
01-493 6110

27 Sept 20  
Rec. ? 30/9

Dear Phil,

I would very much like to have a talk with  
you this week about the Middle East - and  
hijacking. Also about ALAN S.C. GEMMELL  
Managing Director of INTERNATIONAL PROMOTION AND  
CONSULTANCY OFFICE, 17 BROAD COURT LONDON  
WC 2.

Would Sept. 29 at 6-6.30 or lunch

at the above address on Oct 1 suit?

Please call me at 934 3277

Yours  
Victor

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K. Adv. saw Lord ROTHSCHILD on 5th October 1970.  
A note on this meeting is filed on PF 604, 582,  
Link E.

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## EXTRACT

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Extract for File No.: PF.605,565 Name: ROTHSCHILD  
 Original in File No.: \* PF.604,582 Supp A Vol.: 18 Serial: 2025a Receipt Date: 30.9.70.  
 Original from: T/C Under Ref.: 4305 to 4308 Dated: 27.9.70.  
 Extracted on: 1.10.70. by: KAC Section: K.3.

Ext. from T/C on BLUNDEN

Outgoing call BLUNDEN to Cambridge 50488 to TESSA. TESSA wished him a happy birthday for yesterday - she had seen it in the Times. BLUNDEN, after thanking her, mentioned his trip to South America. TESSA remarked 'so I hear' and seemed to know all about his trip. BLUNDEN had thought that she would have been in one of her islands. He said that he was going to lunch in 'your neighbourhood' and, having first ascertained that TESSA was going to be in London this week, asked if he could look in for a drink before lunch on Wednesday. TESSA however explained that she would not be there then - she was coming down from York that day. She suggested coming on Thursday morning. TESSA mentioned that VICTOR was 'rather frantic' because he was retiring from Shell at the end of the month. She seemed to mean that he would not be there. BLUNDEN would not, he thought, be there until after 12.0 o'clock. He sent love to VICTOR.

11.48 (4307)

Note by K3/BP: See 2026a - B. evidently forgot about this arrangement as he made lunch date 12.45. with McKRINDLE. Or else visit to Tess would be very short.

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1936

No. 41

Aliases : Victor FISHER  
Mr. FISH

Born : 31.10.10 in London.

1937 : Baron (succeeded his uncle).

Parents : Father : British, member of leading international Jewish banking family.  
Mother : Hungarian.

Wife : (i) British, married 1933, divorced 1946.  
(ii) British, introduced into the office by No. 41 for whom she worked. Married 1946. See below.

Education : 1924-29 Harrow.  
1929-32 Trinity College, Cambridge. Contemporary and friend of BLUNT and BURGESS.

Pre-Office Career

1932 : Joined family merchant bank.

1932-38 : Fellowship at Trinity (Scientist).

1938-40 : Chemical Board, War Office and Ministry of Supply.

Recruitment

Introduced by senior member of office.

Office Career

1.5.40 : Joined.  
Throughout, head of section dealing with counter sabotage. (B.18 re-named B.I.C. in 1941.) During this period maintained close association with BLUNT and BURGESS and also with PHILBY.

Overseas Travel

11.42 : U.S.A.

6.43 : Gibraltar, Cairo, Abadan.

10.43 : Malta.

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Overseas Travel (Cont'd.)

6.44 : Italy, ? North Africa.  
 8.-11.44 : Paris, attached to S.H.A.E.F.  
 4.45 : Attached to 12 U.S. Army Group in Germany.  
 8.45 : New York.  
 3.46 : U.S.A.

After war remained on office strength as scientific advisor only working part time.

5.46 : Resigned from Security Service.

11.45 : Joined Labour Party.

4.46 : Joined Board of B.O.A.C.

Subsequent Career

1946 : Director B.O.A.C. and member of B.B.C. General Advisory Council.  
 1948-58 : Chairman of Agricultural Research Council.  
 1953 : Chairman of joint M.R.C./A.R.C. Committee of Political Problems of Nuclear Physics.  
 1961- : Vice-Chairman and then Chairman Shell Research.

Second Wife T. MAYOR

Born : 10.9.15 in London.

Parents : Father : British. Assistant Secretary, Board of Education.  
 Mother : British.

Education : Bedales School, Petersfield, Hampshire.  
 Newnham College, Cambridge.  
 Secretarial College in London.



Pre-Office Career

1939 : Secretary, Royal Institute of International Affairs.  
1939 : Secretary, Jonathan Cape Ltd., publishers.

Recruitment

Introduced by future husband.

Office Career

7.40 : Section dealing with counter sabotage, head of which was No. 41.  
(B.18 re-named B.I.C. in 1941.)

Overseas Travel

9.44-4.45 : Attached to S.H.A.E.F. in Paris.  
8.45 : Resigned.

Subsequent Career

1945 : Private secretary to Philip NOEL-BAKER, Parliamentary Secretary  
to Ministry of War Transport. (Labour)

NOTE

During the war she and another girl had a flat in No. 41's house in which BLUNT and BURGESS also lived.

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Original from: T/C Under Ref.: 4305 to 4308 Dated: 26.7.70

Extracted on: 18th August, 1970 by: FAW Section: K.3.

Extract from T/C on BLUNDEN.

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Outgoing call BLUNDEN to Cambridge 50488 for LADY ROTHSCCHILD.  
 Distant explained that she was at Rushbrook. BLUNDEN said that he  
 would ring there.  
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15 July, 1970.

Original in PF.604,582 Vol.15.

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2. . . . BLUNT said that Victor ROTHSCHILD had  
told him a lot about DUNCANNON and that he  
remembered an incident when Victor ROTHSCHILD  
and Guy BURGESS had had to sober up DUNCANNON when  
he was taking the lead in a revival of "Young  
Woodley" by the C.U.D.S. BLUNT described  
DUNCANNON's youth as drunken and weak.

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signed: P.M. Wright

K.Adv.

15th July, 1970

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Reference PF.605,565

Note for File

There is a cryptic reference to Victor ROTHSCCHILD in one of the note books of Alfred Edward LAURENCE, PF.607,499. It is to be found in note book number 148 dated Hamburg, February, 1967. He noted down:-

"Victor Rothschild: Goes down  
H<sub>3</sub> to find out - 2 weekly trip  
to Holland - Dutch insist on  
Dutch deputy to smoothen (?)  
blows.

Jews (Francis Griffin) Persecution  
complex, they are dictatorial,  
fearing resistance - But - when  
opposed, they cringe, stoop fall over  
themselves to oblige - Even  
Rothschilds do, persecuted or not.  
No reason (?)."

2. At the time LAURENCE kept this note book he was employed with Economic Intelligence Unit. There are one or two other references in the note book both to other ROTHSCHILDS and to Shell in Holland and in England. The notes are probably of no security interest and connected with economic intelligence.

3. LAURENCE also had a file among his papers entitled "ROTHSCCHILD". (See 59d in Volume 2). This consisted of press and magazine cuttings.

4. The name Francis GRIFFIN appeared also in the space for Tuesday, 18th July in his 1967 diary with the telephone number BEL 3681. This was the number of the Society of Chemical Industries, 14, Belgrave Square, S.W.1.

5. Photostats of the note books are in Supp E of LAURENCE's file and a note about the diary entry is at 99b in Volume 3 of LAURENCE's main file.

B. Palliser

B. Palliser

K.3.

7th July, 1970.

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## Part I

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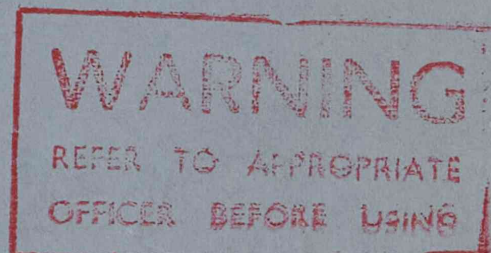
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## REPORT

Source is a distinguished person of some eminence in public life. He was a contemporary of Guy BURGESS at Cambridge. In conversation with him fairly recently the name of Lord BESSBOROUGH was mentioned. Source said that BESSBOROUGH, then Eric DUNCANNON, had been a playboy at Cambridge, queer, undoubtedly a friend of Guy BURGESS, a weak character who could easily have been blackmailed, though not a sympathiser with BURGESS' Communist views. DUNCANNON was a very good actor but a drunk. He played the part of Hamlet in his last year at Cambridge and source remembered being helped by BURGESS to sober up DUNCANNON before he went on the stage. According to source, DUNCANNON had once been engaged to Mary Churchill.

2. Source suggested that if it was wished to discover what DUNCANNON was up to after he left Cambridge, the best person to ask would be Dadie RYLANDS (PF.604,685).

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NOTE

According serial 158a in PF 43,944 (Francis William RICKETT) Guy LIDDELL used the alias Major LAUGHTON and ROTHSCILD that of Mr. FISH when they interviewed RICKETT on 11.11.40.



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14th May 1970

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Victor ROTHSCHILD's first wife, Barbara HUTCHINSON, married in 1949 Rex WARNER, the subject of PF.45,983. WARNER was at Wadham College, Oxford from 1923 to 1926. WARNER and his wife do not appear to have lived together for more than a few years after the marriage.

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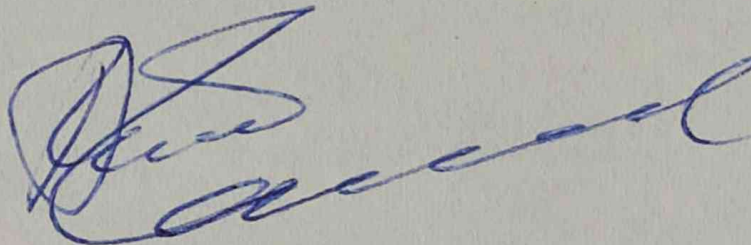
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See attached helpful? letter from Tomlinson. I spoke to D.G. who said he would have a word with the Intelligence Co-ordinator who is, as you know, concerned to help us and ROTHSCCHILD. If that does not work, I fear we shall regretfully have to concede defeat in the face of red tape.



A.M. MacDonald

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23rd February 1970

  
K. Adv. Sec.  
9/3/70



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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London S.W.1

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TO

REF

PF 605565 23/2

19 February, 1970.

*A. M. MacDonald*

You were good enough to come to see me some little time ago about the proposal that Lord Rothschild should be issued with a passport in a false name. After our meeting, I again went into the proposal thoroughly with all the Departments concerned in this office. I then discussed the matter once more with my Permanent Under-Secretary.

I regret to have to tell you that the conclusion was negative. We were led to this conclusion by various considerations, but perhaps the principal one was that a passport is internationally regarded as a document of nationality and identity and there is a firm rule that a passport should identify the holder by the name for which he is known for all purposes. So far as we know there is no precedent for the issue of a passport in a false identity to a private person.

*Yours sincerely*

*F. S. Tomlinson*

(F. S. Tomlinson)

A. M. MacDonald, Esq.,  
Box 500.

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*K. Adv Sec  
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## Extract from Note for File/Interview Report

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Extract for File No. PF 605,565 ✓  
SF 441-UK-5(1) Link N(30) Name

Original in File No. PF 221,352 Serial 111a Dated 19.2.70

Date and Place of \*Interview/Meeting HENDERSON's home - 1.1.70

with (also give security context of person being interviewed)

Subject

Officer E. W. Pratt using @ of Section F.2/URG

Extracted by NJH Section K.7 Date 23.3.70

Jack PLUMB

39. I asked if he had known Jack PLUMB (Christ's 1934-36 and 1946 onwards; PF.606,905). HENDERSON said he had known him quite well socially; their paths had not crossed academically. I asked what had brought them together. He had first met PLUMB at a party, but he could not recall who had given it. HENDERSON interrupted himself at this point to say that after he had gone underground - he thought he had done so when he had met PLUMB - he had been told by the Party which social functions he might go to and which he might not. He illustrated this by saying that at one point he had been told he should no longer go to parties given by Michael STRAIGHT (Trinity 1934-37; PF.44,592); this had been a pity: not only was STRAIGHT a friend of his, but he also gave frequent and extremely good parties.

40. Bringing him back on course I asked where he thought PLUMB had stood politically. PLUMB he said had been well known as a left wing don; HENDERSON had no doubt that he had been sympathetic towards Communism. I asked if he could be more precise: had he been in the Party? He took a moment or two to answer this. Finally he said he was not sure; he

/might well ...

\*Strike out inapplicable.

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might well have been but HENDERSON had no definite knowledge either way. He said I must remember that he himself had been underground and this had meant that to a large extent he had been out of touch with what was going on in the student branch. In any case he doubted whether, as a don, even if he had been a Party member, PLUMB would have been involved in student branch activities - with the possible exception of exercising influence through the Party fraction in the History Faculty, but he emphasised he did not know whether in fact PLUMB had worked through his faculty fraction or not. HENDERSON who appeared to be giving considerable thought to this point summed up by saying that when he had known him PLUMB had been a rebellious left winger, obviously sympathetic to Communism "we talked the same language", but he simply could not say whether or not he had been in the Party.

41. I asked whether he had ever seen PLUMB at meetings of student branch underground members. HENDERSON said he was quite sure he had not, and pointed out that had he done so he would not have been in doubt - as he was - about PLUMB's Party membership.

42. HENDERSON went on to say that one of his clearest recollections of PLUMB, something which had endeared him, was that PLUMB had shown him a new way into Christ's after hours. There was a place where a wall could be scaled into the Fellows' garden; once over the wall and across the garden the way led into and through PLUMB's rooms into the court where HENDERSON had his rooms. He added that for his part he had only been in college for his final year (i.e. 1936-37). During that year he had lived in the rooms previously used by Wilf WOOLER, the rugby player and cricketer, who had gone down at the end of the Easter Term 1936. I asked whether PLUMB's rooms were merely for his day time use - for his research and for giving tutorials - or whether he in fact lived there. HENDERSON said PLUMB had lived in college throughout the time he had known him. I explained that I had asked because I wondered whether as a junior don he had worked in college but had slept in a flat in the town. HENDERSON was sure he had lived in college; he had no knowledge of his having had a flat.

43. I asked if he had kept in touch with PLUMB. HENDERSON said he had not; they had not been in touch since HENDERSON went down. He added that he had read many of PLUMB's books, which he admired; he regarded PLUMB as in the forefront of the present generation of historians.

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COMMENT

I pursued my questioning of HENDERSON on his knowledge of PLUMB's political activities bearing in mind that Lady ROTHSCHILD, who as Tess MAYOR was up at Newnham 1935-38, has told us that she recalled her friend Judy FISCHER-WILLIAMS telling her that she had been taken by HENDERSON to a special secret Communist group of undercover members of the Party and had been surprised to discover that the don present and more or less in charge of proceedings was Jack PLUMB.

Brian SIMON

44. I asked how well he had known Brian SIMON. HENDERSON said he had been very friendly with him. In fact SIMON had been one of his earliest friends at Cambridge. He had met him originally at one of the first meetings of the Socialist Society which he had attended. He thought he had probably met him through John MADGE (Trinity 1933-36; PF.136,292) or Charles RYCROFT (Trinity 1933-36; PF.701,429). MADGE and RYCROFT had been SIMON's closest friends in Trinity and HENDERSON had also come to know them well; MADGE was the one student branch contemporary with whom he had maintained contact after going down from Cambridge.

45. He had seen a lot of SIMON, particularly in their early days. He had spent part of one vacation with SIMON and some members of his family in a cottage they had in the Lake District under Langdale Pikes. He had met SIMON's father, Lord Wythenshawe, on a number of occasions. Whenever Lord Wythenshawe came to Cambridge to visit Brian, HENDERSON had been invited to join them for lunch.

46. Quite unprompted by me HENDERSON said he had also known SIMON's girlfriend Tess MAYOR whom he thought had subsequently married another person whom he had known at Cambridge, Victor ROTHSCHILD. HENDERSON told me that at about the same time as his own friendship was developing with Judy FISCHER-WILLIAMS, that is, in the course of his second year, 1935-36, SIMON's friendship was developing with Tess. It was at this time, however, that the Party had told HENDERSON to stop associating with SIMON. At first he said he thought these instructions had come from KLUGMANN but on reflection he thought it more likely that Jakes EWER had told him. He was uncertain whether this had happened in Easter or Michaelmas



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Terms 1935. The reason he had been given was that as an underground member it was undesirable that he should associate with SIMON who was at that time, and who remained, an overt Party member. As a result of further questions he said he was sure that there had been no question of SIMON ever having gone underground or appearing to drop out of the Party.

COMMENT

Jakes EWER has himself told us that SIMON had gradually slid out of the Party.

47. I said that in the light of what he had told me of his rebellious attitude to authority I was somewhat surprised that he should have been so prepared to accept a direction to the effect that he should drop a close friendship simply because he was told to do so. HENDERSON agreed that it was indeed paradoxical, but this was one of the strange effects of the commitment to Communism. Whatever orders might be given, he, like the rest, readily and willingly accepted them; he was prepared to go along with any requirements the Party laid upon him. I must understand that they had "all taken it pretty seriously".

48. He went on to say that this is why he had not known Tess as well as he would have done had he not been required to dissociate himself from SIMON because of his own underground role. I asked where he thought Tess had stood politically. He said at once: "of course she must have been a Communist". He added that this was not to say that she was a card holding member of the student branch; he had no idea whether she was or not; in any case he did not think that was important. He went on: "in relationships of this sort - like mine with Judy - it was a case of love me, love my politics". He said he was sure that they would not have stayed together at that time, when SIMON was very active, unless "Tess had gone along with Brian's politics". He mused over this for a moment and then said: "Oh yes, Tess must have been 'in'".

49. I asked if he and Judy and SIMON and Tess had at any time gone around as a foursome. HENDERSON said they would certainly have done so but had not because of the instruction he had received that he had to stop seeing SIMON.

COMMENT

I asked the question recorded immediately above in order to clarify information provided

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by Lady ROTHSCHILD; it also relates to the question I had asked HENDERSON about where PLUMB lived at the time HENDERSON had known him (vide paragraph 42 above).

According to Lady ROTHSCHILD, PLUMB used to lend his flat at weekends to herself and to her friend Judy FISCHER-WILLIAMS and their respective boyfriends, Brian SIMON and HENDERSON. The importance of this information is that Lady ROTHSCHILD appears to associate PLUMB's flat with a memory she has that Judy had told her about PLUMB's connection with the student branch underground (vide comment following paragraph 43 above).

HENDERSON, without being given any inkling of what was behind the question, made two points which may be significant.

- (i) He and Judy and SIMON and Tess did not operate as a foursome because he had instructions to stop seeing SIMON.
- (ii) PLUMB lived in college while HENDERSON knew him (i.e. until HENDERSON went down in June 1937); he had no knowledge of PLUMB having a flat.

It seems likely that in the following year 1937-38 PLUMB did have a flat in Cambridge; Matthew HODGART (Pembroke 1935-38/40; PF.703,839) has told us that he took over PLUMB's flat (he has given us the address) in Michaelmas 1938.

In the light of the above I now incline to the view that Lady ROTHSCHILD may be confusing the dates; she may have borrowed PLUMB's flat during the year 1937-38. Originally she named Judy's boyfriend in these circumstances as David HUBBACK. This would seem to make more sense. Although, like HENDERSON, SIMON and HUBBACK had also gone down, whereas HENDERSON was in Paris and Manchester, they were both in London, and therefore Cambridge was reasonably accessible to them. HUBBACK was teaching at his old school, Westminster, while working for his Civil Service examination, and SIMON, whose father was one of HUBBACK's godfathers, was at London University.

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Alister WATSON

53. I said I would like to talk about his former brother-in-law, Alister WATSON (King's 1926-29/39; PF.47,496). HENDERSON reacted quite sharply to this saying that it was distasteful to him to talk about someone who had been a member of his family. He went on in this vein for a minute or two but then said he supposed I had to ask him about WATSON and went on to talk about him. This was the first of three mildly protesting outbursts each of which quickly subsided without active intervention by me.

54. He started by saying he had been careful not to ask WATSON about his involvement; he of course had known that he had been in the Party but did not know what his involvement had amounted to. HENDERSON yet again emphasised the point that he was not permitted to associate with known Party members.

55. I asked how they had met. HENDERSON said that Julian BELL had brought WATSON to his mother's flat in Gordon Square one day, thus he and his sister Susan had met WATSON at the same time. He said that quite apart from WATSON's subsequent treatment of his sister, he had never liked the man. He was cold. He was highly intellectual and no doubt a great theoretician. Reflecting on this he said that all in all he had had little time for WATSON and his rarefied Communism. He was he said an "arrogant b.....r" who had been recognised as such by the run of the mill Party membership at Cambridge. HENDERSON did not think that WATSON's arid, donnish, intellectual approach to Communism had cut much ice in the Party.

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56. Without prompting HENDERSON told me that WATSON's closest friend at Cambridge had been Victor ROTHSCHILD; they had spent much time in each other's company. As he had himself raised ROTHSCHILD's name I asked where he had stood politically. HENDERSON said he was not sure but ROTHSCHILD's close friendship with WATSON surely indicated that he could not have been unsympathetic to Communism. He said he had no knowledge of whether ROTHSCHILD had been any nearer to the Party than merely being "not unsympathetic to Communism".

57. I then asked who had been WATSON's other friends at Cambridge. HENDERSON said that after Victor ROTHSCHILD the person who first came to mind as a close friend of WATSON was Richard LLEWELYN DAVIES (Trinity 1931-35; PF.604,604). Like WATSON, LLEWELYN DAVIES had also been a close friend of Julian BELL.

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114. In addition he has contributed quite a lot which helps in our assessment of the significance of the involvement of some individuals. Among other things, in the light of what HENDERSON has said about the foursome to which Lady ROTHSCHILD has referred in the context of PLUMB's flat, it now seems to me that her initial recollection is likely to prove to be right, and that it was David HUBBACK and not HENDERSON who was Judy FISCHER-WILLIAMS' escort. In support of this there are HENDERSON's statements: first, that until he (HENDERSON) went down in June 1937 PLUMB was living in College; and secondly, that this foursome did not operate as such because HENDERSON had been told by the Party not to associate with SIMON.

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115. If we are to believe HENDERSON - and there seems no reason not to - the importance of HUBBACK's presence appears to lie in the degree of political influence Judy FISCHER-WILLIAMS exerted over him. HENDERSON has given a clear account of his own recruitment of Judy FISCHER-WILLIAMS and her continuing underground Party involvement until at least the time when he went down. He has made what seems probably to be a valid point that in that circle of Communists it was a case of "love me love my politics" - and he has made this point specifically in the case of the liaison between Brian SIMON and Tess MAYOR. When interviewed (as Mrs. HUBBACK) Judy FISCHER-WILLIAMS denied any Party involvement. We now have good reason to think that her involvement lasted at least five terms: what we do not know is the degree of her influence (and that of SIMON) over HUBBACK.

116. None of this, however, solves the problem of PLUMB's involvement. Lady ROTHCHILD recalls that Judy FISCHER-WILLIAMS told her that she went to a meeting of a "special secret group of undercover members of the Party" at which PLUMB was the leading figure. The record of her initial recollection of this suggests that Judy might have gone with HUBBACK; a later record, when the matter was raised again, suggests that Lady ROTHCHILD recalled that Judy said she went with HENDERSON. HENDERSON has now told us that while he knew PLUMB to be very left-wing and rebellious, and therefore could have been a Communist, he does not know whether or not PLUMB was in fact in the Party: nor does he have any knowledge that PLUMB was involved in underground Party meetings. On the latter point HENDERSON argues that had he seen PLUMB at any underground meeting he would have no doubts about his Party membership. We are not at the bottom of this problem yet, but in the light of what HENDERSON has said it may perhaps be possible to revert to Lady ROTHCHILD on this point with certain aspects of the background to the problem in a different - possibly more accurate - perspective.

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I spoke to Sir Dick White at the J.I.C. this morning about our discussions with the F.C.O. over obtaining a false passport for ROTHCHILD. I said that if he happened to be talking to Greenhill it might be useful if he were to mention the proposal. This might tip the balance.

2. I left with him the note at 187a saying that I did not think these objections were wholly insubstantial and that I thought the natural reaction of officials in the F.C.O. would be to turn the proposal down. Nevertheless, the embarrassment to H.M.G. if he were kidnapped would be very considerable.

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D.G.

13th February 1970

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- (a) There was no precedent for giving a false passport to a non-official.
- (b) A passport was a legal document and must carry the correct particulars of the person holding it.
- (c) It might cause embarrassment if detected in a foreign country.
- (d) Someone in B.O.A.C. might recognise the holder when examining his visas.
- (e) A false passport would not be an effective security measure.

12th February 1970

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Reference..... PF 605,565  
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PF 604,692

NOTE FOR FILE

I saw Lord Rothschild for breakfast today at his request. He was anxious to find out the state of negotiations to get him a false passport. I told him the outlook was very bleak and he had better talk to Sir Dick White about it.

2. Victor went on to say that he did not know whether Flora SOLOMON was going round the bend or not, but that she was pestering him about Dudley DANBY, saying that she was convinced that he was a spy, that she was very frightened that he after many years had made persistent attempts to get in touch with her. I asked Victor what he thought of Flora's bona fides. He said that it was not surprising if it turned out that she was in some way muddled up with the Russians. He had never understood how Flora had associated so closely with so many spies, had been so very close over it any yet had escaped their clutches. I told Victor about the letter that BLUNT says that he destroyed when he helped to search BURGESS's flat after the defection in 1951. (This letter was a letter from PHILBY to BURGESS telling him that if he was ever in dire trouble to take the letter to Flora, who would help). Victor's reaction to this was there might well be something odd about Flora. On the other hand, he could not explain why she had shopped PHILBY in 1962 if she was still involved with the Russians, furthermore why she was trying to shop DANBY now. I said that as far as DANBY was concerned, he was probably of little further use to the Russians if he were a spy, and the Russians might be wanting to distract us from other targets. Victor said he would keep me informed of any further developments.

*P.M. Wright*

P. M. Wright

K Adviser

27 January 1970.



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## NOTE FOR FILE

1. I saw Sir Stanley Tomlinson at the F.C.O. on 26 January 1970. I reminded him rather coldly that he had asked to see me and I had been trying to make an appointment with him for the past fortnight. He was profuse in his apologies.

2. Tomlinson said that various departments in the F.C.O. had to be consulted in the matter of a passport for ROTHSCCHILD, including P.C.D. and the legal experts. They all saw objections:-

(a) There was no precedent for giving a false passport to a non-official.

(b) A passport was a legal document and must carry the correct particulars of the person holding it.

(c) It might cause embarrassment if detected in a foreign country.

(d) Someone in B.O.A.C. might recognise Victor ROTHSCCHILD when examining his visas.

3. I said that:-

(a) Victor ROTHSCCHILD was one of the most prominent members of his community and might well be the target of an Arab hi-jacking operation.

(b) Sir Dick White had asked me to make the point that Victor ROTHSCCHILD was a confidant of the intelligence services and also was consulted by government departments on secret matters.

(c) Victor ROTHSCCHILD was a former intelligence officer and could be relied on to use the passport with discretion.

(d) The passport was required for visits to Israel, Iran, the Caribbean and U.S.A. I did not foresee embarrassment in those countries but any embarrassment would be negligible compared with the furore if Victor ROTHSCCHILD fell into Arab hands.

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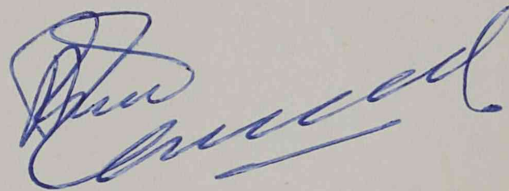


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4. Tomlinson took these points and said that he was now waiting to talk to Sir Denis Greenhill. In the meantime he would again put our case to departments.

5. I asked if we could have a reply as soon as possible. It might well be that D.G.S.S. and/or the Co-ordinator of Intelligence would wish to speak to Greenhill.

6. We ended on a very cordial note gossiping about the S.L.O.s in Ceylon. Tomlinson was full of praise for the work they had done since the station re-opened and is clearly friendly towards the Service.



A.M. MacDonald

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27 January 1970



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Extract for File No.: PF.605,565 Name: ROTHSCHILD  
 Original in File No.: PF.604,582 Supp A Vol.: 17 Serial: 1928a Receipt Date: 19.1.70.  
 Original from: T/C Under Ref.: 4305 and 5308 Dated: 17.1.70.  
 Extracted on: 12.2.70. by: KAJ Section: K3

Outgoing call BLUNDEN to TESS ROTSHCHILD at Cambridge.  
 He told her that she had worked miracles. Mr. SACHER had turned out to be as nice as she had thought. He mentioned having adopted VICTOR's technique and had written an elaborate letter and took it round and had arranged for him to come to the meeting.  
 At the meeting BLUNDEN had discovered that they were not in fact in conflict. They had agreed amicably that they (ORT) would take the back premises and the institute would have the front.  
 BLUNDEN gave her details of all the agreements reached.  
 He told her that he was leaving on Monday, with a 99 per cent quiet mind. TESS was pleased to hear it. BLUNDEN said how grateful he was for her help.  
 BLUNDEN asked if she had any news? TESS did not think so.  
 When was she could to the Bahamas. The middle of February. It was Barbados. When was he returning? For a week towards the end of March then away again until April.  
 BLUNDEN mentioned going to Cambridge last night but literally only to have dinner with ANDREW, and he had left at 7.30 this morning, he had therefore not been in touch with her.  
 BLUNDEN said that the house business had been getting him down very much. He had not been able to get down to see ANDREW as much as he had meant. TESS wished him a good time - she looked forward to meeting upon his return.  
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Since 1966 the ROTHSCILDS have been our principal source of "personality" information about those with whom they were associated at Cambridge in the 1930s and subsequently. Because of their position and contacts they have also been able to facilitate arrangements for us to interview some of these people. They are eminently suited for this role as both were members of this office in the period 1940-45/46 and they are familiar with "intelligence" and qualified to appreciate the significance of incidents which are, prima facie, of intelligence interest. One consequence of this liaison, however, is that they are in some measure privy to our interests and, indeed, our intentions.

2. In the context of research into cases of possible connection with the "Ring of Five" I have had a close look at the ROTHSCILD's record. There are certain features of the case which suggest that Tess ROTHSCILD in particular has not been entirely frank with us. This may be relevant in our future dealings with the ROTHSCILDS.

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3. Victor ROTHSCILD was a close friend of Guy BURGESS and his circle, including Anthony BLUNT, at Cambridge University and subsequently. For a short time BLUNT shared the maisonette at 5 Bentinck Street which ROTHSCILD and his first wife occupied prior to 1940.

4. BURGESS defected in 1951. That event - the significance of which must have been appreciated by Victor ROTHSCILD who still had links with this office - was attended by considerable publicity. But there is no record (unless it be in his R of S) that he came forward with any information based on his close association with BURGESS which might have been of use to us. This is, in my view, worthy of note because:-

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(i) Stuart HAMPSHIRE (PF.606769) subsequently informed us that on a visit to Paris in 1937 BLUNT took him to meet KLUGMANN for what HAMPSHIRE described as a "looking over". This was followed up about a year later by BURGESS' attempt to recruit HAMPSHIRE to work for the Comintern. HAMPSHIRE claims that he rejected that approach but he did not report it either at the time or after

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BURGESS' defection in 1951. When told of this Victor ROTHSCHILD expressed the view that HAMPSHIRE's failure to report the incident was totally inexcusable - particularly as he had been "in the business".

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But, according to HAMPSHIRE, he discussed BURGESS' defection with Victor ROTHSCHILD shortly after the event and came to the conclusion that PHILBY and FOOTMAN were finished. In the light of their knowledge that was valuable information but there is no indication that Victor ROTHSCHILD informed us of it.

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(ii) it contrasts strangely with his apparent anxiety in 1952 to explain the innocence of his association with the communist Dr. ROSEN.

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(iii) it was not until 1956, following the publication of an article in "The People", that he made any attempt to explain his association with BURGESS and then only in general terms. It is true that in that submission he referred to his earlier suspicions about BURGESS which he claimed to have communicated to his then superiors in this Service but that related to war-time and his suspicion was largely that BURGESS was pro-Nazi - an argument untenable in 1951.

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(iv) When first interviewed in May 1956, Victor ROTHSCHILD was asked whether he thought that any others of the BURGESS entourage might have been conscious agents. He named Alister WATSON. Discussing visitors to Bentinck Street during an interview in 1965 he again referred to WATSON about whom, he said, "there was a distinct smell". Tess ROTHSCHILD described WATSON as "very left wing at Cambridge". It is not clear when Victor ROTHSCHILD first entertained doubts about WATSON but it must be noted that it was he who recommended WATSON for employment in the scientific field in the Admiralty in 1939.

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5. Lady ROTHSCHILD, then Tess MAYOR, also knew BURGESS and BLUNT at Cambridge University. Through BLUNT she met Brian SIMON (PF.45,907) with whom she had an affaire. In 1940, having been bombed out of the flat she was then sharing with Pat RAWDON-SMITH (now Baroness LLEWELYN-DAVIES: PF.604,604), they



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moved into the premises at 5 Bentinck Street vacated by the ROTHSCILDS. This they shared with BLUNT and BURGESS and, for part of the time, Jack HEWIT. It is clear that the members of this menage lived on intimate terms and their conduct and that of their numerous visitors was such that at one stage the local police had the premises under observation. At that time Tess ROTHSCILD (MAYOR) was employed in this office.

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6. The visitors to 5 Bentinck Street at the time Tess ROTHSCILD lived there included CAIRNCROSS, Jennifer FISCHER-WILLIAMS (HART), FOOTMAN, HAMPSHIRE, MACLEAN, PHILBY, REES, SIMON, SMOLLETT (SMOLKA) and Michael STRAIGHT. All these have admitted to, or are strongly suspected of, being recruited as RIS agents.

7. Perhaps the most remarkable feature of this record is that although Tess ROTHSCILD has commented on the politics of others at Cambridge University when prompted to do so she has volunteered singularly little information about herself either at that period or later. We have virtually no knowledge of her political affiliations at Cambridge yet she was closely associated with communists there and it seems doubtful whether, subsequently, she would have continued to live in the Bentinck Street menage unless she either enjoyed the company or had interests in common with the other residents.

8. There are other aspects of this record which also suggest a lack of frankness:-

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(i) Some time prior to 24th November, 1965, Victor ROTHSCILD was informed of BLUNT's confession to espionage. He did not disclose the identity of his informant but it was not BLUNT. He informed his wife of this, and, according to him, she was very upset and decided that she could not accept BLUNT in the house again. Yet when interviewed subsequently she professed not to have heard of BLUNT's RIS activities and appeared to be greatly distressed at the news.

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(Comment: It is not clear whether her distress was due to the fact that BLUNT, a close friend, was a spy or to the fact that he had confessed to it and might implicate others).



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(ii) when interviewed in January 1966, she confessed that Jennifer FISCHER-WILLIAMS (HART) had told her that she went into the Civil Service on Party instructions and that she had been in contact with either a Czech or a Russian. She did not say when Jennifer HART told her of this but it was presumably some time prior to the interview.

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(iii) during the same interview she indicated that she knew that HAMPSHIRE had doubts about BLUNT connected with some episode in Paris (c.f. para.4(i) above). For how long she had known this before informing us is not clear.

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(iv) she knew CAIRNCROSS and was aware that he had confessed to espionage but did not reveal the source of her information. CAIRNCROSS was suspended from work in the Treasury in 1952 but did not confess to espionage until 1964.

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(v) She had knowledge that both Judith FISCHER-WILLIAMS and Jack PLUMB attended meetings of a secret communist underground cell at Cambridge University at the time she herself was there.

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(vi) as recently as last December, Tess ROTHSCHILD expressed the opinion that the explanation of BLUNT's and HAMPSHIRE's prevarication must lie in the fact that they were covering up somebody who is still vulnerable. When asked who she had in mind she immediately named Francis GRAHAM-HARRISON to whom she has never previously referred during the course of numerous interviews since 1966.

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9. It is perhaps indicative of Tess ROTHSCHILD's attitude that, knowing of our legitimate interest in Judith HUBBACK (nee FISCHER-WILLIAMS:para.8(v) above) and her husband, David, she regarded as unjustified action which she - incorrectly - assumed we had taken to effect HUBBACK's transfer from the Treasury to the Board of Trade.

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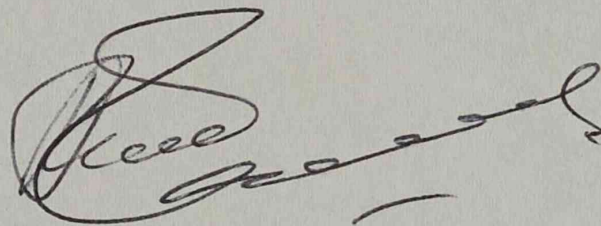


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1. Reference D.D.G.'s note at 181a , I spoke to Sir Dick White on 15th January and explained that although we had Sir Denis Greenhill's support in the matter of the ROTHSCCHILD passport, it had got stuck with Tomlinson the Under-Secretary concerned. I hoped to see Tomlinson next week: indeed he had asked to see me.
2. Sir Dick promised all support. I assured him that we were doing all we could to help.



A.M. MacDonald

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15th January 1970

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At the J.I.C. this morning Sir Dick White said that he was dining tonight with Victor ROTHSCHILD who, like other prominent Jews, is much concerned about threats of possible terrorist action against them. Through Sir Solly ZUCKERMAN, ROTHSCHILD has access to Top Secret information in certain fields.

Dick White said that he believed that ROTHSCHILD had been in touch with us about the provision of a special passport for his use and he asked what the position was about this. I promised to enquire and if possible to telephone him this afternoon. Perhaps you would speak yourself to Dick White.

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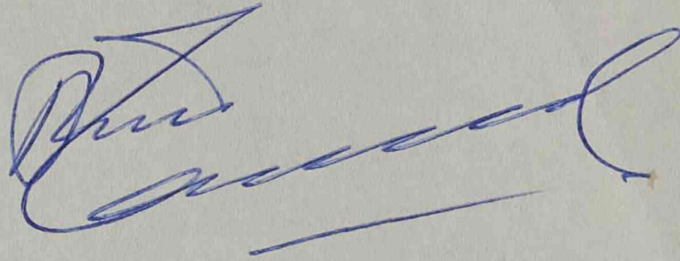


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1. As you will see from 179a, F.C.O. resistance to issuing a false passport is presently personified by Sir Stanley Tomlinson.
2. I am quite happy to go and talk to him but there is one relevant factor which I should like to mention to you personally.
3. There is no urgency about this.

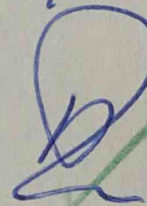


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12th January 1970

They will get in touch with us next mid-week. KAA 13/1/70  
 Lay. Make a date for me to see Tomlinson (not before 15 Jan). We might ask Neville G. to make the contact.

  
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NOTE FOR FILE

E.5./Neville Girardot telephoned on the evening of 8.1.70. to say that when he had been seeing Sir Stanley Tomlinson, Supt. Under-Sec. of the Migration and Visa Department of the F.C.O., the latter had mentioned that Sir Denis Greenhill had passed him the papers on the subject of issuing a false passport to Sir Victor ROTHSCCHILD. Tomlinson said that there were considerable difficulties in issuing a false passport and he would like to discuss the matter further with the appropriate person in our office.

  
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Incoming call to BLUNDEN from Mr. STEWART, Senate House.  
This concerned 21 Portman Square. There had been a meeting attended by ROBINS at which this was discussed and also the question of ~~XX~~ 'your being in touch with the ROTHSCHILDS'. STEWART said that ROBINS seemed to think that he too might have some influence with the ROTHSCHILDS. STEWART wished to warn BLUNDEN that ROBINS might be getting into touch with him, to see if there was anything he could do.  
STEWART was under the impression that BLUNDEN had mentioned being in touch with a TESS ROTHSCCHILD - a lady.  
BLUNDEN confirmed having said this.  
ROBINS had apparently heard of an EVELYN - a gentleman - but never of a TESS.  
BLUNDEN said that this was VICTOR's wife - LORD ROTHSCCHILD's wife.  
BLUNDEN continued by saying that they had actually got past the ROTHSCCHILD barrier and he was in fact directly in touch with ORT.  
STEWART knew this from HUTCHINGS.  
STEWART said that ROBINS seemed to think that he could persuade the ROTHSCHILDS to pull ORT out of the picture.  
BLUNDEN did not think he could do this, and he did not think that anyone else had better meddle in this and he agreed to say this to ROBINS when he gets into touch.  
BLUNDEN would contact the Ambassador should he not get into touch himself by tomorrow afternoon.  
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Outgoing call BLUNDEN to Mr. HUTCHINGS, 687 8000, London University. BLUNDEN had been in touch with the Portman Estate people and was seeing SACHER (spelt) for tea this afternoon. He felt there might be some agreement reached. From what TESS ROTHSCHILD had told him, BLUNDEN understood that ORT only wanted to have the back part of the house for themselves. He said that SACHER was one of three of the same name and in MARKS & SPENCER. TESS had first got on to SIEFF. BLUNDEN mentioned that the Ambassador at number 21 was now back. He had been watching carefully for the lights to come on and that had now happened. Laughter. BLUNDEN remarked that he had the whole of the Jewish community hopping. They would get into touch again.  
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Incoming call to BLUNDEN from HUTCHINGS. BLUNDEN reported on his talk with SACHER. The position looked fairly hopeful. SACHER was agreeable to purchasing the back portion of the house from the Institute in the event of their getting it. They would obviously have to have further meetings.  
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NOTE

Lady ROTHSCHILD rang me up at midday on Sunday December 27th and asked if I could spare the time to come and see Victor ROTHSCHILD that evening. This I did, spending the whole evening with him and Tess.

2. The first part of the interview took place tête-à-tête with Victor. He told me that the ~~SETH~~ family had thoroughly got the wind up about the threats being made by the Arab Terrorist Organisation to kidnap prominent Jewish children. He said that it worried him too a certain amount, particularly as his eldest daughter Emma was now a freelance journalist in New York. I said that I would let our representative in Washington know about this so that he could warn the appropriate authorities if he thought fit. We went on to discuss the problem of his false passport. I said that we had run into difficulties with the Passport Office although the thing had been approved by Sir Denis Greenhill, but that I was still hopeful that we would get it for him. I apologised for the delay.

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3. Victor said that he thought that although they could probably get quite a lot of ransom money out of him if one of his children was kidnapped it was nothing to the money that they could get either by kidnapping the children of his cousins in France or some other prominent Jews in this country. He commented that his cousin Guy in Paris was worth £70 million. He felt that any action taken against him or his family would be much more from the embarrassment point of view to H.M.G. than to extracting money. He commented that he was "not rich as ROTHSCHILDS go".

4. Victor said that there were a number of other issues he wanted to raise with me. He said that he and Tess had seen Anthony BLUNT recently and that BLUNT's attitude had changed considerably. He now had an almost devil-may-care attitude about everything and was talking in terms of breaking off relations with us, M.I.5. They, Victor and Tess, had told him that he was not in a position to be able to do this. At this point Tess came in on the conversation and said that she thought that Anthony was very worried about something. They wondered whether it was anything to do with Stewart HAMPSHIRE as Anthony had raised the matter of Stewart with her and had discussed the matter. I explained in some detail (deliberately) the dilemma we are in in the Stewart HAMPSHIRE case, pointing out that there has been a lot of lying going on about what went on before the war and that it was very difficult to understand why Stewart HAMPSHIRE had not told us about the approach by Guy BURGESS in 1937

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before the last few years, particularly one would have expected that he would have come forward after 1951. Tess said that she accepted all this but did not believe that Stewart had been a fully recruited spy though she commented wryly that she had been wrong about Anthony BLUNT. She said that she thought that the explanation of BLUNT's and HAMPSHIRE's prevarications must lie in the fact that they are covering up somebody who was still very vulnerable. She said that this did not excuse them but of course they were all very loyal to their friends, so I said to her "the sixty-four thousand dollar question is who do you think they are covering up?" She said without hesitation, "I think it must be Francis GRAHAM-HARRISON." He is in a very sensitive position in the Home Office and has been for many years. He was very thick with them all before the war. Furthermore his wife Carol is a sister of Michael Stewart who was a friend of PHILBY's. I tried to probe her further about this matter but her attitude was that she could not think of anybody else who fitted. She told me that Stewart HAMPSHIRE had been in the U.K. for a couple of days in December when he was interviewed as a possible Master of Wadham College, Oxford. They do not know whether he has got the job but they will let me know when he next returns to the U.K. I warned them that he would be hostilely interrogated and asked them not to reveal to him that I wanted to see him.] GUARD

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30 December, 1969.

Dear

You invited me early in December to write to you supporting our case for Lord Rothschild to have a passport in a false name.

2. We have considered carefully your counter proposal that he should travel under an alias, like a film star attempting to avoid publicity, but hold a passport in his correct name. There are, however, a number of occasions when a person using a false name might be caught out if he were not in possession of a passport with the same name :-

- (a) When filling up embarkation and disembarkation cards.
- (b) When registering at an hotel.
- (c) When the passport of an hotel resident has to be deposited at the hotel on arrival for inspection by the police (e.g. in Spain).
- (d) When passports are checked against aircraft manifests by the Immigration Authorities.
- (e) When cashing travellers cheques.
- (f) On any occasion when it is necessary to prove identity to the Police, Aliens, Customs or Immigration Authorities.
- (g) When a passport is inspected by an Airlines Booking Office to see that the passenger has the appropriate visas for his intended journey.

A film star or other celebrity could well get away with his explanation for using an alias if challenged. Lord Rothschild might not meet with such success. His explanation might not be acceptable in all foreign countreis and in some it might not be believed.

3. There is, too, a great difference between avoiding publicity

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and avoiding attempts at assassination or kidnapping - the consequences of failure are far more serious. If Lord Rothschild's real name were to become known from his passport to officials or private persons in foreign countries, there could be no assurance that information about his whereabouts would not leak to those who were conspiring against him. The consequences of such a leakage could be very serious for Lord Rothschild.

4. The risks which Lord Rothschild would run if he used only an alias but carried a passport in his real name would be far greater than other celebrities would run who are merely trying to avoid publicity. His use of a name different from the name on his passport might also get him into difficulties with the authorities in other countries. We conclude that his security against attempts at assassination or kidnapping would be improved by the issue of a passport in a false name, and that he would get far less protection from using an alias, while carrying a passport in his real name.

Yours

R. G. I. Elliott.

D. MacFarlane, Esq., C.B.E.,  
Nationality and Treaty Department,  
F.C.O.,  
Clive House.

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K/Adv. through KY.

I have looked through Lord Rothschild's R. of S. but have been unable to find details of the passport issued to him in a false name during the war - your note for file at serial 1 refers.

2. If you could let me have details of this passport I think it might be worth sending a followup letter to that at serial 17 to the effect that :-

"Lord Rothschild is not unfamiliar with travelling on a passport in a false name in that it was necessary for him to do during the war when he held Passport No.                      issued at                      on                      in the name of Victor Fish".

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30 December, 1969.

R. G. I. Elliott.

M. S. Ext. 1300.

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PF. 605,565

Extract for File No.: ..... Name : .....

Original in File No.:\* PF. 604,582 Supp A Vol.: 17 Serial: 1908a Receipt Date: 23.12.69.

Original from: T/C Under Ref.: 4304 Dated: 22.12.69.

Extracted on: 29.12.69. by: KAJ Section: K.3.

Ext. from T/C on BLUNDEN\*If the original is in the file of an individual  
include the name of the file owner.

Incoming call to BLUNDEN from TESS ROTHSCHILD.  
 She had just been speaking to GABRIEL THACKER, the President of ORT,  
 who was apparently going to ring him up - she presumed on the downstairs  
 number. So far as she could gather 'they' had 'bought' it but they did  
 not want the whole of the house and would let some of it.  
 BLUNDEN corrected her about the 'bought' question and said he did not  
 think this was true. He mentioned having had a word with DOLLY about  
 it. She had suggested EILEEN (ph) was the person who really knew  
 something. BLUNDEN had got on to her but she was just leaving for Israel.  
 BLUNDEN had been asked to see the Ambassador this afternoon.  
 He speculated as to what it was about. He refused to give up. He had  
 at least one other card to play - something he had not wanted to do.  
 TESS had gathered that ORT did not want the front portion of the house.  
 BLUNDEN was very grateful for all TESS had done and he may ring her  
 tonight with some information after his interview with the Ambassador.  
 11.09

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Extract for File No.: PF.605,565 Name : .....

Original in File No.:\* PF.604,582 Supp A Vol.: 17 Serial: 1907a Receipt Date: 23.12.69.

Original from: T/C Under Ref.: 4304 Dated: 20.12.69.

Extracted on: 29.12.69. by: KAJ Section: K3

Ext. from T/C on BLUNDEN

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Incoming call to BLUNDEN from TESS.  
BLUNDEN had obviously tried to ring her elsewhere. She said that she was sorry she was out.  
BLUNDEN was sorry to bother her. He referred to remarks he had made about the purchase of the house next door and that the rival bidders were an organisation called BRITISH ORT. BLUNDEN had now been asked to go and see the Ambassador on Monday in a way suggesting something had gone wrong. BLUNDEN could only think that BRITISH ORT had made a higher bid. He wondered whether she knew of anyone in BRITISH ORT. TESS knew of no one. BLUNDEN would be going to stay at Eathrop tonight and would ask DOLLY. TESS offered to ring up a friend of hers, MARCUS - her usual contact for such matters. She may ring BLUNDEN at Eathrop probably tomorrow morning. BLUNDEN asked her not to make it too late because he expected that they might go up to Waddesdon.  
BLUNDEN asked if she was going to be in Cambridge the week after Xmas? Yes - TESSA thought so. BLUNDEN would ring up in the next few days and suggest a day - he explained that he would have to come up and see ANDREW GOW before his departure.  
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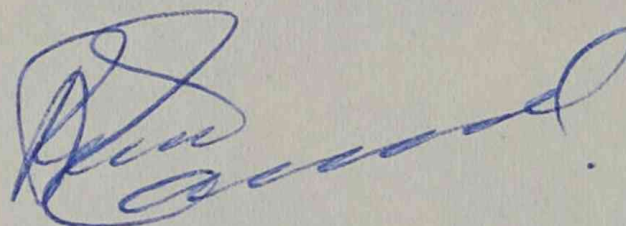
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Passport for Victor

I have checked the file. K.3.  
and B.3. have the matter well in hand.  
Discussion is going on regarding the  
countries for which the passport should  
be validated.

There is no need for further  
prompting at present.



A.M. MacDonald

KX

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5th December 1969

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Extract for File No.: PF.605,565 Name : .....

Original File No.: PF.604,582 Supp A Vol.: 17 Serial: 1896a Receipt Date: 3.12.69.

Original from: T/C Under Ref.: 4304 Dated: 1.12.69.

Extracted on: 16.12.69. by: KAJ Section: K.3.

EXT. FROM T/C on BLUNDEN

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Incoming call to BLUNDEN from TESSA ROTHSCHILD.

She mentioned having seen DADIE who had told her that BLUNDEN may have fixed a day for going to see GOW.

BLUNDEN intended to try and fix it - nothing was yet arranged.

He said that at the moment he was busy - they were having continuous negotiations in connection with the house next door. Every single day brought a new difficulty.

TESSA wanted to make sure that his visit to GOW were not on a day when she was away in London. She said that she was usually there on Thursday and Fridays. Victor was away from Monday to Friday. BLUNDEN did not particularly wish to see GOW on Thursday because he usually had JOHN BURNABY to dinner and this was rather boring.

TESSA suggested a Sunday 'with us' and Monday spent with GOW, 'so that you saw VICTOR'. BLUNDEN agreed this was a good idea and he would let her know - he would like to make it in about a fortnight's time.

He went on to tell her some details about the house next door.

He said that he would ring her next week.

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## Extract from Note for File/Interview Report

1736

Extract for File No. PF. 605,565 Name ROTHSCHILD

Original in File No. PF. 604,582 Serial 739a Dated 20.11.69

Date and Place of \*Interview/ ~~Meeting~~ 3.11.69 at the Courtauld Institute

with (also give security context of person being interviewed) Sir Anthony BLUNT

Subject .....

Officer P. Wright using @ of D. Shipp Section K.3. F2/URG

Extracted by KAJ Section K3 Date 20.1.70

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3. Before we could proceed with the interview however BLUNT remarked, out of the blue, that in recent discussions with Tess ROTHSCCHILD she had suggested that his object in introducing Stuart HAMPSHIRE to James KLUGMAN in Paris might have been to recruit him to the Party rather than to the R.I.S. Although he still did not remember the episode, he thought it possible that that might indeed have been his purpose and that he might have judged that KLUGMAN would be able to bring HAMPSHIRE round to joining the Party. When we asked him to repeat what he had said, in particular Tess ROTHSCCHILD's statement to him, BLUNT replied "Forget about Tess. What I'm saying is that I think it quite likely that that was my intention at the time". We decided not to pursue the matter any further.

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9. . . . . In the course of discussions, BLUNT said that he had obtained the post at the Courtauld Institute in March, 1939. He repeated that he had moved into Bentinck Street with Barbara and Victor ROTHSCCHILD as soon as he came back from France in 1940 and that Tess MAYOR and Pat RAWDON-SMITH had moved in shortly afterwards when the flat which he thought they had shared was bombed. He believed that the lease of Bentinck Street had in fact been taken over formally by Tess. BURGESS had moved in later, either when the lease of Chester Square came to an end or when he had some trouble with his landlord there: BLUNT had thought it a good idea for BURGESS to move in as BURGESS was already in a very bad state. Asked how Victor had met Tess originally, BLUNT said he had met her through Pat RAWDON-SMITH. Victor had asked Pat, whom he had known well at Cambridge, to act as his secretary in the Office but she had not wished to change her job and had suggested Tess instead.

signed

for C. O. Shipp

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 Original from: T/C Under Ref: 4304 Dated: 15.11.69.  
 Extracted on: 20.11.69. by: KAJ Section: K.3.

Ext. from T/C on BLUNDEN? He present for Emma  
See 147a

Incoming call from TESS ROTHSCHILD to BLUNDEN.  
 TESSA spoke about 'The Bible' and asked if she came round sometime Thursday morning could she collect it? She would have the car in London. BLUNDEN said this would be perfectly all right. He would rather like to get rid of it because of insurance business etc. TESSA would come soon after 10.0 on Thursday. it  
 BLUNDEN said that either he would be there with it or/would be there awaiting collection in the hall.  
 TESSA thanked him. She hoped to see him soon.  
 BLUNDEN said that he would be ringing up to suggest himself for a night sometime between now and Christmas. That would be lovely, said TESSA. She mentioned DAVID MAYER (ph) telling her that he had written to him. BLUNDEN confirmed getting a letter this morning, saying- 'don't feel guilty'. TESSA remarked on this being 'rather impertinent'. BLUNDEN however contradicted her saying that it was 'rather nice'.  
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## Extract from Note for File/Interview Report

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Extract for File No. Link N/30 Name [REDACTED]  
 Original in File No. Link F/9 Serial 2a Dated 10.11.69  
 Date and Place of \*Interview/Meeting Room 055 at 11.30 a.m. 4th November  
 with (also give security context of person being interviewed) HAL  
 Subject .....  
 Officer J.A. Cradock using @ of ..... Section K.7  
 Extracted by [REDACTED] Section K.7 Date 19.11.69

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11. Shortly after the war Victor ROTHSCHILD came to HAL and asked him if he would become his personal solicitor. HAL did not do so but in the course of their conversations at this time he learned a good deal about ROTHSCHILD; I did not have time to go into this subject in our talk but HAL is clearly ready to give more information on ROTHSCHILD later.

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Miscellaneous

29. In the course of our talk HAL made the following additional points -

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b) He thought that Guy LIDDELL had been very indiscreet, particularly in his dealings with BLUNT and ROTHSCHILD and he believed that these two could have got much information out of him in the years immediately succeeding the war. HAL referred in particular to a wartime sabotage D.A. which LIDDELL, ROTHSCHILD and he had run and to a meeting in the house of the R.S.L.O. Reading at which an S.O.E. officer who was present had been horrified at LIDDELL's indiscretions and had complained to HAL.

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(28.10.69)

Mrs. Solomon wanted to see me to say that Dudley Danby's behaviour towards her made her suspicious. I deliberately did not probe deeply as to what sort of suspicion she had but, for obvious reasons, they were concerned with the possibility of Danby engaging in intelligence activities. Mrs. Solomon said it was inconceivable that these could be on behalf of Israel. She had nothing to say as to whether they might be on behalf of Great Britain. I don't think either of these was in her mind.

She said that a long while ago Dudley Danby had been connected, I think through the British Council, with Lord Lloyd. She implied that Lord Lloyd and Dudley Danby were homosexuals.

She said Lord Lloyd and Dr. Weizmann were friendly and that Dudley Danby became very intimate (not in the homosexual sense) with Dr. Weizmann. She implied that Dr. Weizmann's friendliness with Dudley Danby was due to his wish to become more closely associated with Lord Lloyd. She was, however, a bit confused on this point and, for example, said something to the following effect: "You know that when Dr. Weizmann really took someone into his confidence, he told them his innermost thoughts and aspirations."

She did not enlarge on her own relationships with Dudley Danby, but I gained the impression that at that time, she must have known him fairly well.

For many years Mrs. Solomon and Dudley Danby never saw each other. Then, out of the blue, quite recently, he sent her a postcard from Israel, attached. She could not remember whether the postcard was sent this year or last year, but said she supposed this could be checked by the postage stamp. She was surprised to get this postcard after so many years silence and separation.

Then he sent her some flowers at the Jewish New Year, this year. Mrs. Solomon put great emphasis <sup>on the fact that</sup> that only the most intimate friends did this. (I ~~did~~ <sup>do</sup> not know if this was true.) Then she got a note from him when her sister died.

All this seemed to her to add up to Dudley Danby wanting to establish contact with her. What could be the reason? It made her feel uneasy and frightened.

I asked her whether she had any views as to what might be done. She did not want to see Mr. Peter Wright and said he was the man who burst into her dear sister's room in the nursing home.

K3/KAN



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I said I would think about it and make a few enquiries.

During our discussion Mrs. Solomon mentioned that Dudley Danby had seen Philby in Beirut (I think it was Beirut, but in any case I am sure it was somewhere in that part of the world) and had told her he was well. This must make it possible to get some time structure into what is said above.

Vn

1st November, 1969



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NOTE

I spoke with Victor ROTHSCHILD today about the countries to which he wishes to travel. He says that the ones he is most worried about are the Caribbean through the U.S., Iran and Israel. He does also travel all over Europe, Australia, the Far East, Japan and South Africa. He has not yet been to West Africa but might be required to go. He would take our advice as to whether any of these places should be on his passport or not.

PETER M. WRIGHT

Peter M. Wright

K.3  
29.10.69

~~Wright~~  
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11 HERSCHEL ROAD  
CAMBRIDGE  
CB3 9AG  
TELEPHONE 50488

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25th October, 1969

Recd. 27.10.69.

Dear Peter

I returned from America today and  
found the enclosed letter waiting for me. I  
am trying to make a date.

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103. CARRINGTON HOUSE.  
HERTFORD STREET.  
LONDON. W.1.  
MAYFAIR 2467.

20th October, 1969.

Dear Victor,

It is a long time since we saw or  
heard from each other.

Now I have a new problem which might  
or might not be important and which puzzles me.

I am going to Israel at the beginning  
of November and would like to consult you before  
I leave, if you have a little time to spare.

Do give me a ring when you are in town  
and when we could meet.

Yours ever  
Floca (Solomon)



11 HERSCHEL ROAD  
CAMBRIDGE  
CB3 9AG  
TELEPHONE 50488

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11th October, 1969

PMW asked for this to  
be paid in PF 605,565.

Dear Peter,

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section +  
passed to JHA.  
for action

There was a very interesting letter in  
The Times yesterday from Professor Kurti at  
Oxford about Maxwell.

Vicki

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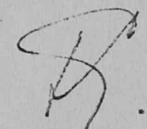
Dear

Following our meeting on 30 September and the subsequent discussion between Sir Denis Greenhill and my Director General, you asked me to let you have a note, which I now attach, outlining our reasons for wanting to sponsor a passport in another name for Lord Rothschild. I also attach a press cutting from "The Times" dated 26 September giving details of the recent attempt to kidnap a member of the Rothschild family. You asked me to let you have this.

2. If a passport is issued to Lord Rothschild in another name, I will make it my personal responsibility to hold the passport in his proper name whenever it is necessary for him to travel on the passport issued in another name.

3. If there is any further information you want or if I can be of any further assistance, I can come over and see you at your convenience.

Yours

  
R. G. I. Elliott.

R. P. B. Cave, Esq., O.B.E.,  
Passport Office.

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Lord ROTHSCHILD.

Lord Rothschild was a member of the Security Service during the war when he rendered valuable service to the country winning the G.M. for his bravery. He has since rendered us and continues to render us valuable assistance on three major fronts. He has provided us with intelligence leads of major importance on the counter espionage front; he is our contact and liaison point in Shell in connection with sabotage and he is a scientific adviser to this Service.

2. Lord Rothschild has to travel abroad particularly to Africa, the Middle East and North and South America. His travels are not on our behalf. In the light of current Arab activities directed against Jews and Jewish interests, his life or person may be in danger during his travels. This is not only because he is a Rothschild but because he has been a major supporter in many ways, including financial, of Israel.

3. We are very anxious that Lord Rothschild should not come to any harm and as some recompense for what he has done and is doing for us we wish to sponsor a passport in another name for him in order to provide a degree of protection when he travels. Lord Rothschild fully understands that there will be controls on the use of such a passport and will rely upon us for advice on how and when to use it.

9 October, 1969.

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B.3/Mr. Elliott

Attached herewith is the  
meat of a submission which Cave may  
like to make to Sir Denis Greenhill.  
I will leave it to you and him to  
put the necessary tops and tails on it.

PETER M. WRIGHT

Peter M. Wright

K.3  
8.10.69

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Sir Denis Greenhill

8.10.69

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Cave, Deputy Chief  
Passport Officer

B.3/RGIE

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1672

Extract for File No. PF. 604, 565.....Name ROTHSCHILD.....

Original in File No. PF. 604, 582.....Serial 729a.....Dated 7.10.69.....

Date and Place of \*Interview/Meeting.....27.8.69.....

with (also give security context of person being interviewed) Sir Anthony BLUNT.....

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Subject K3/P. Wright.....  
F2/C. Shipp.....K3 and

Officer.....using @ of.....Section F2.....

Extracted by AJ.....Section K3.....Date 8.10.69.....

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4,565 9. During further discussions about his own work for the R.I.S., BLUNT recalled that in the early part of the war BURGESS had given him instructions on how to contact the R.I.S. in France. As far as he remembered he was to go at a prearranged time and date to the cafe whose name appeared first in the Michelin guide. He also recalled that during the time from the December of 1940 onwards when Lizzie PHILBY had acted as his contact he had met her on several occasions in Bentinck Street in BURGESS' presence. He commented that perhaps Tess ROTHSCCHILD would remember the visits although, on reflection, he thought that Lizzie PHILBY might have called only when she knew that Tess would not be there. He had also occasionally met Lizzie PHILBY at the Courtauld Institute. He went on to say that Lizzie PHILBY had made no secret of the fact that BURGESS and PHILBY were also "in the game" and that she was taking the material which they gave her to Bob STEWART at Party Headquarters. He remembered that she had said that STEWART had been given all their names.

COMMENT

in France

None of this is new information.

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11. We asked BLUNT whether he was certain that the occasion on which he had stayed at Victor ROTHSCHILD's villa in the South of France had been in the summer of 1933. He replied that he was absolutely certain as Victor had only rented the villa on that one occasion. Asked who had been present apart from BURGESS, BLUNT listed the following: "Dadie" RYLANDS, Anne BAINES, Venetia MONTAGU, Penelope DUDLEY-WARD, Gerald CUTHBERT, Claude PHILLIMORE and Arthur MARSHALL. CUTHBERT, who had been killed in the war, had been a friend of both BURGESS and Victor ROTHSCHILD but was irrelevant to our interests. He confirmed that Arthur MARSHALL was a queer and a friend of BURGESS but completely non-political. Later during the interview BLUNT was asked whether he remembered William GREY WALTER as a fellow guest. He said that he thought he might have been in the party. He remember GREY WALTER as an Apostle and an "extremely cold fish". He would have classified him from a political point of view as "of the honourable left". He connected him with Alister WATSON and also with Victor ROTHSCHILD: he thought that GREY WALTER and Victor ROTHSCHILD had worked in the same laboratory at Cambridge. He did not remember him as a friend of BURGESS but, if he had been, he thought that BURGESS would have got to know him through Lettice RAMSEY whose boyfriend he had been for some time. BLUNT commented that GREY WALTER had been normal sexually. He added that he associated GREY WALTER in his mind somehow with Queen's University, Belfast.

COMMENT

It would seem that the visit to the ROTHSCHILD's villa in France which GREY WALTER has dated as 1932 must in fact have taken place in 1933.

GREY WALTER was neither a student nor a member of the staff of Queen's University, Belfast at any time.

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12. Questioned about the statement made by GREY WALTER that in ?1943 he had been present with BLUNT, BURGESS, ROTHSCHILD and WATSON at a party in Richard LLEWELLYN-DAVIES' house following a Society dinner, BLUNT said he did not remember LLEWELLYN-DAVIES having a flat or a house of his own at that time. He had moved into Bentinck Street when he came back from abroad and was "the most regular sharer of Pat RAWDON-SMITH's bed". He later said that he was certain that by the summer of 1943 LLEWELLYN-DAVIES had been living permanently at Bentinck Street. BLUNT said that it was a tradition that a leading member of the Apostles entertained some of the "brothers" at his home after Society dinners. BLUNT had taken over that

responsibility from James STRACHEY during the war. Normally a dozen or more "brothers" of the thirty or so attending the dinners had gone back to Bentinck Street. By no stretch of the imagination would going to Bentinck Street have been described as going to Richard LLEWELLYN-DAVIES' home: they would have spoken of going to "Anthony's" or possibly to "Anthony's and Guy's".

COMMENT

Tess ROTHSCHILD has stated that Richard LLEWELLYN-DAVIES moved into Bentinck Street when he returned to this country from Ireland in 1942.

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